

Barry A. Cik, Founder and Technical Director, Naturepedic

Mattresses and bedding promoting wellbeing through:

- Natural and organic materials
- Reduced chemical footprint
- Replacement of traditional materials





The Goal

Create products without using materials known or suspected to be connected to health and development impairment.

- Endocrine disruption
- Cancer
- Developmental Delays
- Asthma
- Other Health Issues

The Challenges

- Waterproofing without PFCs
- Federal Flammability Standards 1632 & 1633
- Transparency/lack of disclosure of material ingredients

After product was introduced, challenges included:

Marketing the absence of materials

Challenge – Mattress Core

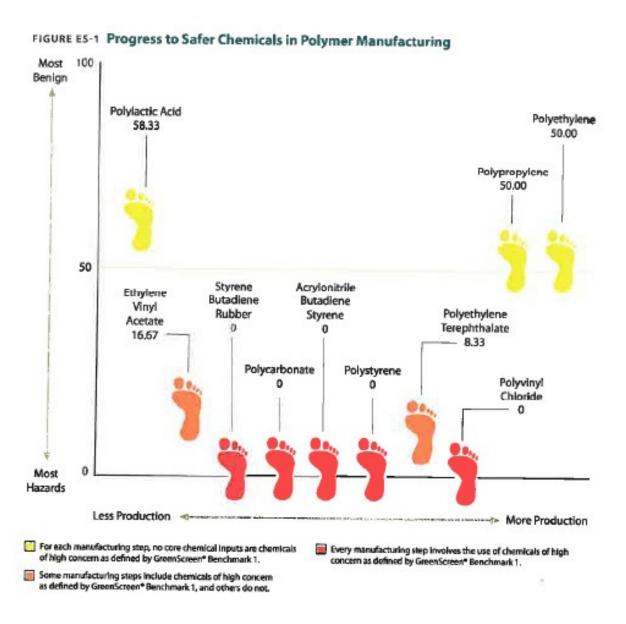
Inner core (crib mattress):

We knew we needed to:

- Avoid polyurethane foam
- Offer lightweight version
- Maintain firmness and strength

Inner core:

- Natural fibers
- Polyethylene foam INSTEAD of polyurethane foam
- Edge design



The Plastics Scorecard, v1.0, Clean Production Action, July 1, 2014

Challenge – Surface Material

We knew we needed:

- A waterproof design without vinyl or perfluorinated compounds (PFCs)
- To know WHAT was in the fabric (transparency)
- Ease of cleaning for parents

Surface material (crib mattress):

- Certified organic provided one way to know and monitor materials
- Food grade polyethylene proved sensible waterproofing solution, earned patent
- Testing
- Working with vendors

Challenge – Meeting Government Flammability Standards

We knew we needed:

Meet existing standards 1632 & 1633

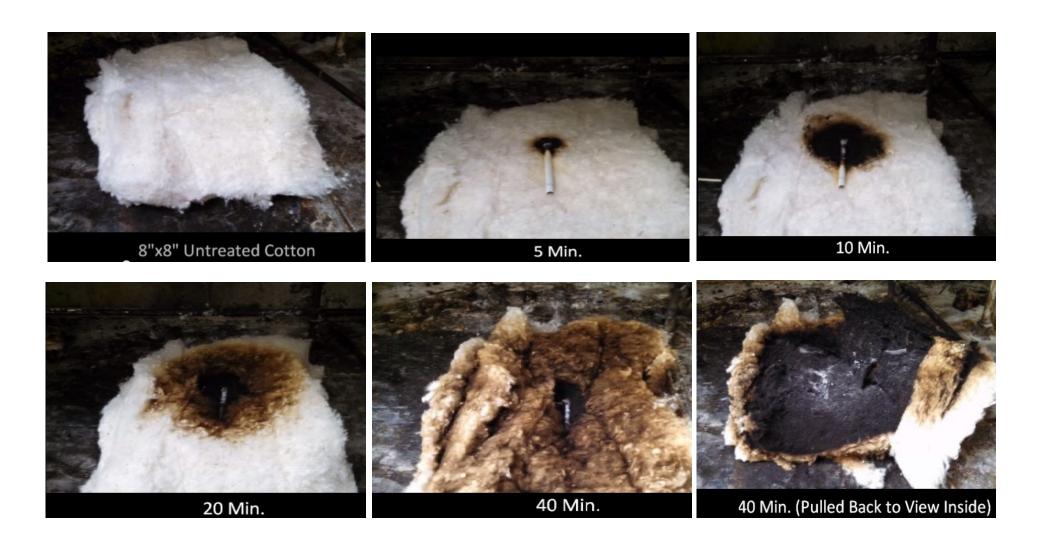
Meeting Flammability Standards:

- Use less flammable materials
- Design to allow flammability to be met without chemicals or additives

Untreated Polyurethane Foam vs
Untreated Organic Cotton



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y1BePx9giaQ



Cotton Smolder Demonstration July 1, 2013

Challenge – Lower Price Point

We knew we needed:

- Develop a way to offer a safer product to consumers who could not afford organic
- Reduce material costs while maintaining health benefits

- Food grade polyethylene/polyester
- New brand Lullaby Earth



Challenge - Marketing what's NOT in the product

We knew we needed to:

- Differentiate our product
- Educate
- Avoid a negative focus

Marketing what's NOT in the product:

- GOTS certification for ENTIRE product for organic products
- Additional certifications GOLS, GREENGUARD, Endorsements & Recommendations
- Viral Outreach
- Educate whenever possible

GOTS

- Transparency
- o Reliability
- Accountability



New vs. Old Room Fire Final UL video by NIST (National Institute of Standards and Testing)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aDNPhq5ggoE



New vs. Old Room Fire Final UL (at 3 min, 33 seconds)



New vs. Old Room Fire Final UL Flashover Times Legacy Room 29:25, Modern Room 3:40

